

## ELI TARTTE CASE AGAIN IN COURT

Judge Joseph Prince Appointed Commissioner to Investigate Matter.

### REPORT OF SUNDAY-SCHOOLS

Number of Richmond Odd-Fellows Guests of Petersburg Lodge.

Times-Dispatch Bureau, 109 North Sycamore Street, Petersburg, Va., November 21. The famous chancery case of Avery and others against Tartte and others, involving the control of the Harrison Street (colored) Baptist Church in this city, in which argument was heard and decree entered several months ago by Judge J. F. West, sitting for Judge Mullen, in the Hastings Court, was given further consideration by Judge West to-day.

The decree entered in the cause some months ago declared the Rev. Eli Tartte not to be a member or the pastor of the church, but permitting him to act as pulpit supply. It further restrained him from exercising the functions of member or pastor, except as supply. The decree further appointed George Mason, of this city, a commissioner of the court to ascertain a correct roll of the membership of the church, and report the same with such other facts as might be deemed pertinent. This, with the view of bringing the affairs finally before the full church for settlement.

Mr. Mason declined the appointment on account of business engagements, and the immediate purpose of the court to-day was to appoint a commissioner to discharge this duty. Several names were suggested to Judge West, but Judge Joseph B. Price, a member of the bar of this city, was appointed commissioner, as acceptable to both plaintiff and defendant in the cause. The annual meeting of the congregation of the Harrison Street Church will be held in January, and it is expected that the commissioner's report will be ready before that meeting.

Mr. Gordon, of the firm of Smith, Moncur & Gordon, of Richmond, gave notice that he would submit a petition asking the court to issue a rule against the Rev. Eli Tartte to show cause why he should not be fined for contempt of the court for violation of its decree. Mr. Gordon declared that proof was in hand to show that Tartte, while acting as pulpit supply, had exercised all the functions of member and pastor of the church. The court set next Monday to hear this petition.

**Methodist Sunday School Association.** The regular monthly meeting of the Methodist Sunday School Association of this city and vicinity was held Sunday afternoon in Wesley Church with a full attendance and interesting exercises. Reports of last month's register and attendance were made as follows:

Schools	Reg.	Av.	Att.	P. C.
High St. ....	552	459	31	
Washington St. ....	334	227	83	
Market St. ....	253	198	79	
West St. ....	255	219	84	
Wesley ....	185	143	76	
Ettrick ....	182	119	65	
Matoaca ....	212	151	71	
Totals .....	2,005	1,526	75	
Money collected, \$50.				

### A Surprise Marriage.

Miss Virginia A. Goodwyn and E. W. Goodwyn, both of Dinwiddie county, were married on Sunday in the West End Baptist Church by the pastor, Rev. A. R. Love. Just as the congregation was being dismissed after the morning service the couple, accompanied by friends, drove up to the church door in an automobile. The pastor was asked for their object explained. The congregation resumed their seats, and the wedding ceremony was performed. The event so entirely unexpected to the congregation, was witnessed with interest, and gave rise to much pleasurable comment.

**Resignation of an Officer.** Police Officer Bridger, of Ettrick, has sent his resignation to the circuit judge of Chesterfield county, who will appoint his successor. Mr. Bridger has



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had a hard time in the discharge of his duties. He was wounded in a street duel with Lazarus Moore, in which the latter was killed. He was tried and acquitted in this case on the ground of self-defense. He was also tried and acquitted in the case of trouble with another citizen of Ettrick.

**Visit of Richmond Odd-Fellows.** Some seventy-five or more officers and members of the several Richmond lodges of Odd-Fellows were the guests to-night of the three Petersburg lodges. The visitors came over in special cars on the electric line, among them the venerable and beloved grand secretary, T. Wiley Davis. They were given a cordial reception and most hospitably entertained. The evening was one of unalloyed social and fraternal greetings, with speeches by several of the visiting and local brethren.

**Death of Prominent Citizen.** Thomas Lee Shippen, one of Petersburg's oldest and best known citizens, died this evening at 6 o'clock at his residence on High Street of uremia after an illness of three days.

He would have reached his eighty-eighth year had he lived until next Sunday. Mr. Shippen was born at Violet Bank, a historic Colonial home in Chesterfield county, November 27, 1822, and was the eldest son of Dr. William and Mary Louisa Shippen, of Philadelphia. He was a graduate with the degrees of A. B. and A. M. of the University of Pennsylvania. He was engaged in the tobacco business in Petersburg for several years, traveled abroad for four years, lived in Louisville, Ky., for ten years and then returned to Virginia, living at Arrowfield, Chesterfield county, until the beginning of the war. In 1859 he married Miss Jane Grey Gilliam, who died many years ago. He is survived by one son, Dr. William Shippen, of Petersburg. Mr. Shippen was Collector of Customs at Petersburg for four years, under Cleveland's last administration, was for many years secretary of the Petersburg Club and was the oldest communicant of St. Paul's Episcopal Church, from which his funeral

will take place on Wednesday.

**Death of Aged Woman.** Mrs. Annie W. Little, aged eighty-five years, widow of William R. Little, died Sunday morning at the residence of her son, George W. Little, near Matoaca, Chesterfield county. She is survived by one sister, Mrs. Jane Trench, of this city, and one brother, James B. Moore, of Suffolk. The funeral took place this afternoon.

**Dwelling Damaged by Fire.** The two-story frame dwelling on Federal Street, owned and occupied by Emanuel Hill, colored, was badly damaged by fire last night about 7 o'clock. The fire originated in the kitchen.

Fire was discovered Saturday night in a pile of sawdust in the engine room of the Petersburg veneering factory at the head of Commerce Street. It was extinguished without damage. Several barns of tobacco on the farm of J. B. Fraser, belonging to him and to one of his tenants in Dinwiddie county, were burned last week, entailing considerable loss.

**Personal and Otherwise.** Jacob Cohen, an old and respected citizen and manufacturer, is quite ill at his residence on Adams Street. The Rev. P. E. Chensell, who has been acceptably filling the pulpit of Washington Street Methodist Church since last spring, preached his final sermon last night before a large congregation. The Rev. George E. Booker, the new pastor, is expected here tomorrow.

Post "C" T. P. A. of this city, has appointed a committee to confer with committees from the Chamber of Commerce and Common Council relative to the establishment of a battlefield park at Petersburg. It is believed that this park, which will embrace many notable battlefields, will be one of the certainties of the early future.

Hume West, the noted forger, now under arrest in Baltimore, never operated in Petersburg. The police had been advised of his work elsewhere and were on the lookout for him.

The Norfolk and Western belt line, passing around this city, through the counties of Dinwiddie and Prince George, from Addison on the west to Poe on the east, will probably be completed early in the new year. It is eight miles in length, is a costly piece of work, has a number of concrete and steel bridges, and is designed to accommodate the heavy coal and through freight trains of the road.

**The Petersburg Hospital.** The large new addition to the Petersburg Hospital has been practically completed, and as soon as the heating plant has been installed, will be opened for public inspection. The new building will add largely to the capacity of the hospital, as well as to its convenience. Its cost was upwards of \$30,000. The annual report of Mrs. Bartlett Rogers, Sr., president of the board of managers, states that during the past year 350 patients were treated in the hospital, not including many dispensary cases.

The treasurer's report showing that the resources for the year were \$11,270, and the disbursements, \$11,186. The Young Ladies' Auxiliary will undertake to furnish the new hospital.

**Crapshooters Fined.** Sixteen negro crapshooters, all engaged in playing the game on Sunday, instead of going to church, were captured by the police yesterday, and in the Police Court this morning were fined \$5 each. Most of the players were minors.

A frame dwelling on Stainback Street, owned and occupied by George Moore, colored, was partially destroyed by fire last night. The fire broke out about noon to-day.

The index appeal will announce editorially tomorrow morning the appearance Saturday afternoon of a new daily paper, the Evening Record. The Record will make the third daily newspaper in this city.

## CITY COMMITTEE FOR CONVENTION

(Continued From First Page.)

victs on the roads? Shall the education of our children be hampered on the ground of economy? Shall we have separate primary laws or not? Under the recent decision of a Norfolk court, our primary system is nothing. I believe in primaries, but we had far better have conventions than the present primary system. "What do we stand for anyway? Show me one ask me why I vote the Democratic ticket I must answer that it is because my father was a Democrat. Would it not be better if I

could say that I am a Democrat because my party stands for an adequate primary law, or because it is for an income tax, or because it believes in free labor, or because it provides liberal education for the children of the State?

**Need a Chant.** "How can we appeal for converts if we have no creed? I tell you that the recent land-slides are not strictly Democratic victories, for they represent the trend of the independent vote which goes to the party which stands for the best interest of the people. Who can tell what the Democracy of Virginia stands for? Unless we represent issues, we shall have a landslide in Virginia some day which will surprise us."

"We must have a convention to make a platform on which every Democrat will stand. If there is any man in the State calling himself a Democrat who will not stand on the platform of his party, adopted by a representative convention, the sooner he gets out of the party the better off it will be."

W. C. Pulliam, of Washington Ward, objected to the clause in the resolutions which told the world that the party "was one" with its ranks, and offered an amendment referring to the desirability of harmony, but it was voted down, Captain Myers opposing.

Committeeman Jennings, of Clay Ward, seemed a little afraid of the prohibition issue, but he did not seriously object to the vote on it.

There seemed to be no opposition at all to a convention. In fact on motion of Gus Bernier a resolution of thanks to Captain Myers was unanimously adopted. The author of the resolution expressed the opinion in conclusion that the committee was doing a great thing for the party.

**The Resolutions.** Following is the text of the resolutions:

"Whereas, there is a widespread demand on the part of the members of our party for a convention to declare the policy of the party on State affairs, and to set forth a platform for the guidance of officers and members of the State government, and

"Whereas, no platform has been written on State issues since 1901, a period of nearly ten years, and much confusion prevails on this account, and

"Whereas, the platform of our party should be written at a time before candidates apply for party nominations, so that they may stand upon a platform which binds every nominee, and

"Whereas, our Legislature is to be nominated next year and matters of vital importance, such as roads, schools, income tax, primary elections, convict labor and other vital issues are to come before that body for enactment into law, now therefore be it

"Resolved, by the City Democratic Committee, That we petition Hon. J. Taylor Ellyson, chairman, and the State Democratic Committee to order a convention to write a platform for the party in Virginia, and that the said convention be called for this purpose and no other, and that the convention be called at the very earliest possible date, and prior to any nomination for the General Assembly, so that candidates and citizens may know where the party stands upon the vital questions affecting the State; and be it further

"Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions, with the City Democratic Committee's action thereon, be forwarded to Hon. J. Taylor Ellyson, chairman of our State Democratic Committee."

## MATT HENSON ALSO LECTURES

Man Who Went to North Pole With Peary Billed and Booked for Local Stage.

Only two Americans ever reached the North pole, and—according to the latest dope—neither of them was Dr. Cook.

Following closely upon the heels of the present eventful week, which is chucked full of everything from aviators to pedagogues, Richmond is to have opportunity to learn just who is who in the North Pole controversy. Little yellow and green handbills,

which made their appearance about the streets yesterday, are responsible for the statement given above; that is, that only two Americans ever turned the trick. From the same source is learned that the teachers were "Lieutenant Peary, a white man, and Professor Matthew A. Henson, a colored man." Not a single word is said of the doctor. The man who was Copenhagened is simply and altogether ignored.

It is "Fess, better known over the country as just plain Matt Henson, who is going to present the facts of the matter in Richmond next Monday night. He will appear at the Fifth Street Baptist Church and deliver a lecture entitled "A Trip to the North Pole" in the course of which he will tell just how he and Robert cinched the mutton. Since his return from the polar regions as a member of the Peary expedition Henson has become recognized as one of the leading North Pole discoverers, crop of 1909, and has lectured through the North with much success. This, it is said, will be his first lecture in the South. Stereoscopic views made by himself, including an accurate reproduction of the pole as it appeared in full working order, will illustrate his talk.

**AMUSEMENTS.** Academy of Music—"My Man," "Bijou"—"Through Death Valley," matinee and night.

House Wild With Excitement. "At last, Jim Barton, I have you where I want you!" Bang! "I'd rather die a thousand deaths than have you even touch me." Bang! "You no die, you my squaw." Bang! "O, Jeem, there come the soldiers to save us!" Bang! Bang! "What would you with this lady, you dogs?" Bang! Bang! Bang! There has rarely been seen in a theatre such wild excitement as that

which thrilled the audience last night at the Bijou during the presentation of "Through Death Valley." True, Mrs. Hamilton's facial make-up reminded one of a German student after years of dueling; Elder Claypool's chunk white face contrasted somewhat startlingly with his flesh-colored hands; Pete, a half-breed, was very apparently only a boy, villainous as he was, and Jasper, a "comic" negro, did a song and dance in "note," while the back drop represented the entrance to the Grand Canyon. I think—I got lost in the multiplicity of quickly changing scenes—and there was some difficulty in following the marvelous escapes both of the hero and heroine and their friends, and of the innumerable Morion villains and their base accomplices, but there was a snake who, to paraphrase another critic, was some actor, and, besides, the house literally dropped and howled its enthusiasm.

This snake is really a clever piece of work. After the manner of the Apache, the despicable Morions "peep out" the hero and hit a rattlesnake with a throng of rawhide just short enough to prevent the snake from his own length, and the rattler is almost within reach of the helpless leading man when Gray Wolf, the grateful, dead-shot Indian, appears and blows the rattler into pieces with his trusty rifle.

The story is a bit too involved to relate, but the things came so fast frequently, powerfully and dramatically, that the house, and particularly the gallery, was kept in one long and happy spasm of noisy excitement.

W. D. G.

### Death of Jack O'Brien.

Philadelphia, November 21.—Jack O'Brien, who was one of the catchers of the Athletic baseball team when it won the championship of the American Association in 1883, died yesterday in a hospital in this city, and will be buried from the Elks' Home on Wednesday.

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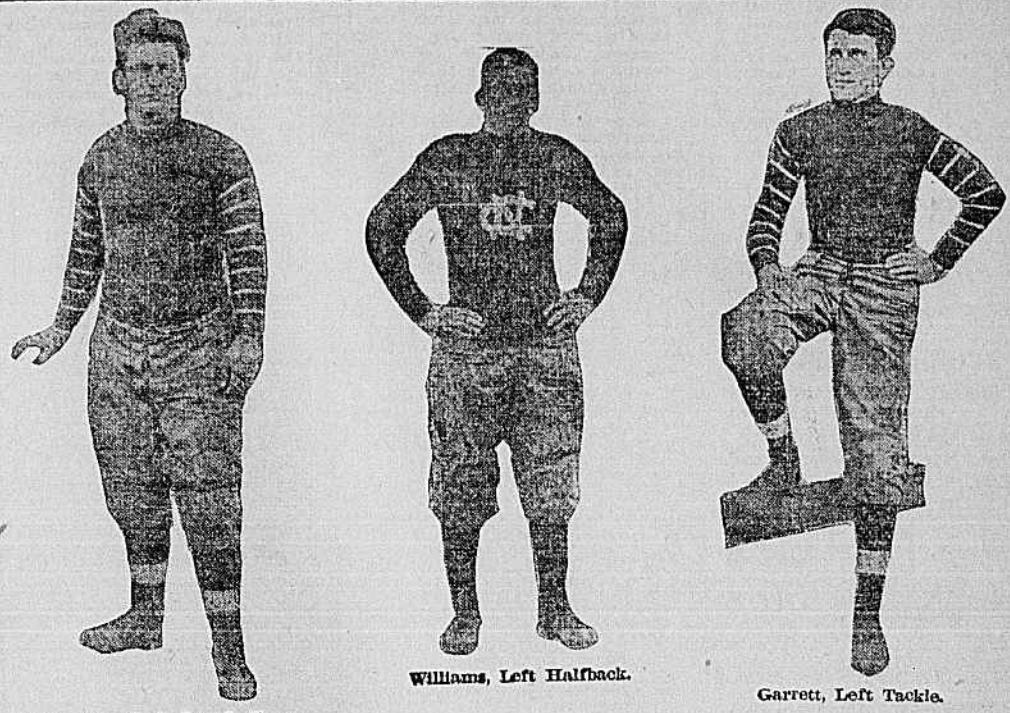
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of the famous "Bobby" Matthews, pitching star of 1883, O'Brien played with Brooklyn, Baltimore and other clubs.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] Staunton, Va., November 21.—Harry M. Bell, of this city, and Miss Mabel Jones, daughter of D. H. Jones, of Tarentum, Pa., were married at the latter place, Rev. Palmehrist, of the First Baptist Church, of Connelville officiating.

**Change in Schedule—Southern Railway.** Effective Sunday, November 27, 1910, train 74, for West Point and intermediate stations, will leave Richmond at 6:00 A. M. daily, except Sunday, instead of 4:30 A. M.

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